

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2665 – SB 2638

February 26, 2018

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires a voter, instead of a judge, to deposit certain ballots into specified ballot envelopes.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013754): Deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive changes: (1) make the provisions applicable to counties using ballot marking systems, and (2) change the effective date from “upon becoming law” to May 2, 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Under current law, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-7-114, judges place paper ballots and provisional ballots into the specified envelopes.
- The proposed language as amended would require judges to direct the voter to place such ballots into their specified envelopes.
- The proposed language as amended would take effect on May 2, 2018. There are 57 counties holding primaries on May 1, 2018; therefore the proposed amendatory language would not impact the upcoming elections.
- Any fiscal impact on state and local government is considered not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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